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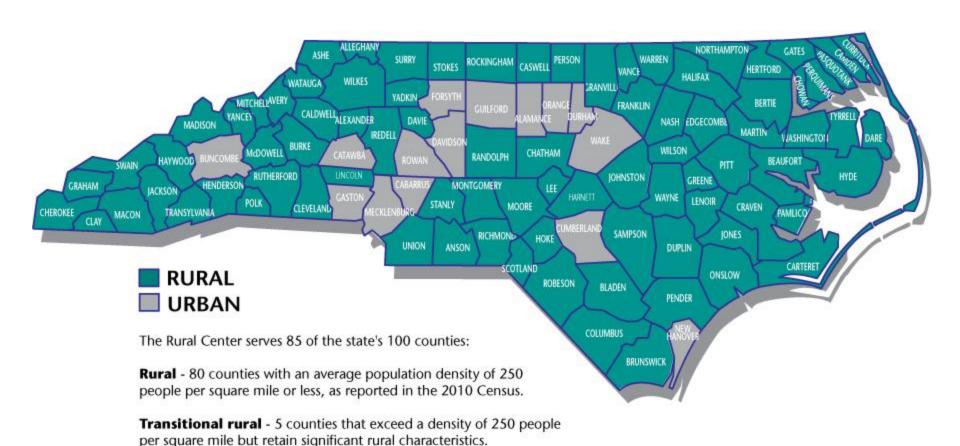
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North Carolina Rural Counties



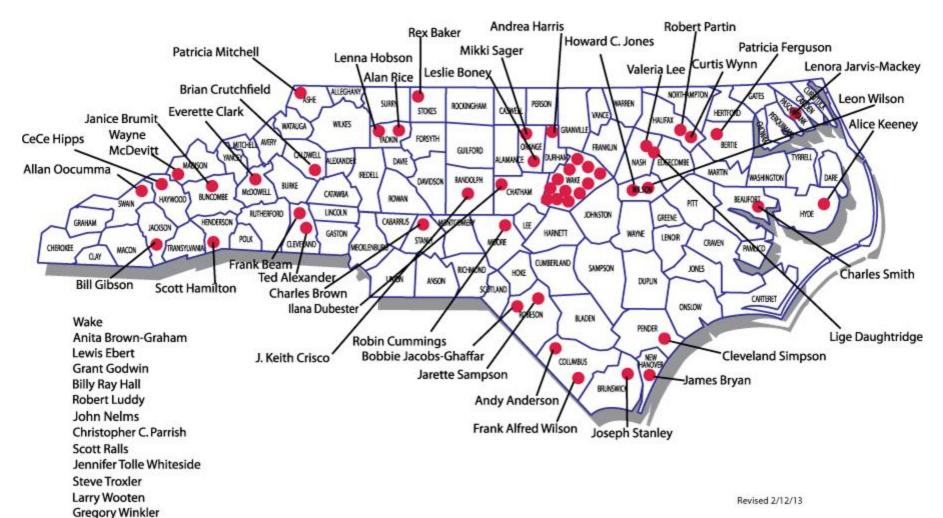




Our mission is to develop, promote and implement sound economic strategies to improve the quality of life for rural North Carolinians with a special focus on individuals with low to moderate incomes and communities with limited resources.



Rural Center Board





Rural Center Programs

- Critical Needs Water & Sewer
- Job-Generating Infrastructure
- Building Reuse & Rural Hope
- Rural Jobs Fund



Rural Center Programs

- NC STEP
- Small Business Finance
- Entrepreneurship
- Ag Consortium



Rural Center Programs

- CDC Grants
- Economic Innovation
- Leadership Development



Critical Needs Water & Sewer







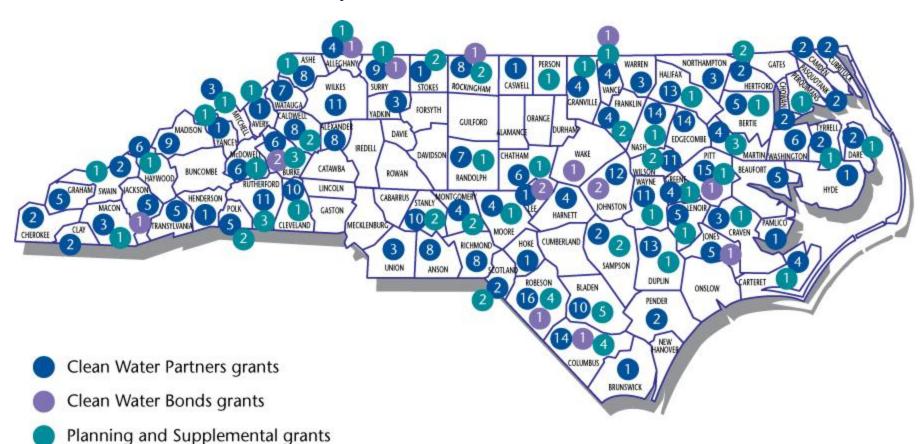


Critical Needs Water & Sewer

- 518 grants
- \$145 million awarded
- \$557 million leveraged
- 504,101 customers served



Critical Needs Water & Sewer





Job Creation Programs







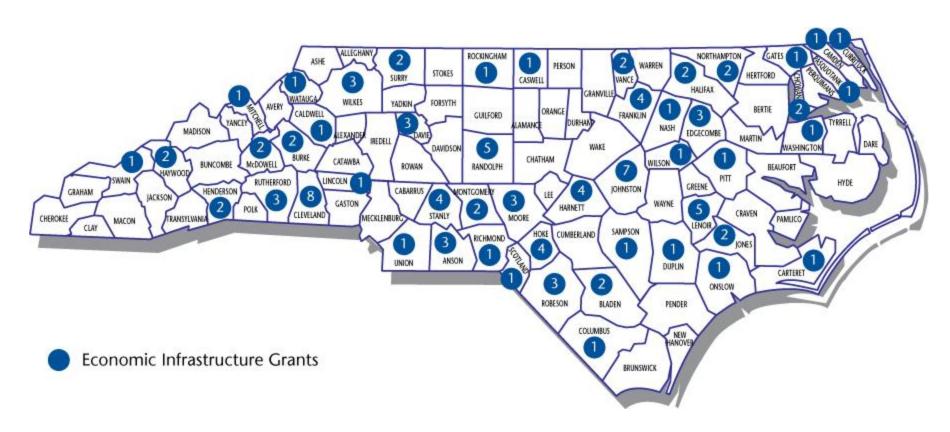


Job-Generating Infrastructure

- 110 grants
- \$38 million awarded
- \$122 million leveraged (public only)
- 134 new & expanded businesses
- 6,361 new jobs
- \$5,970 cost per job



Job-Generating Infrastructure



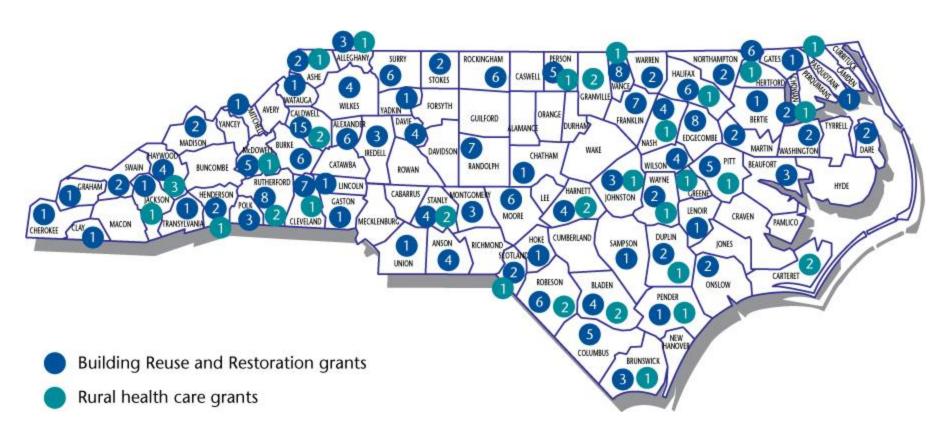


Building Reuse & Rural Hope

- 279 grants
- \$41 million awarded
- \$544 million leveraged (public and private)
- 317 new or expanded businesses
- 5,079 new jobs
- \$8,356 cost per job



Building Reuse & Rural Hope





Rural Jobs Fund

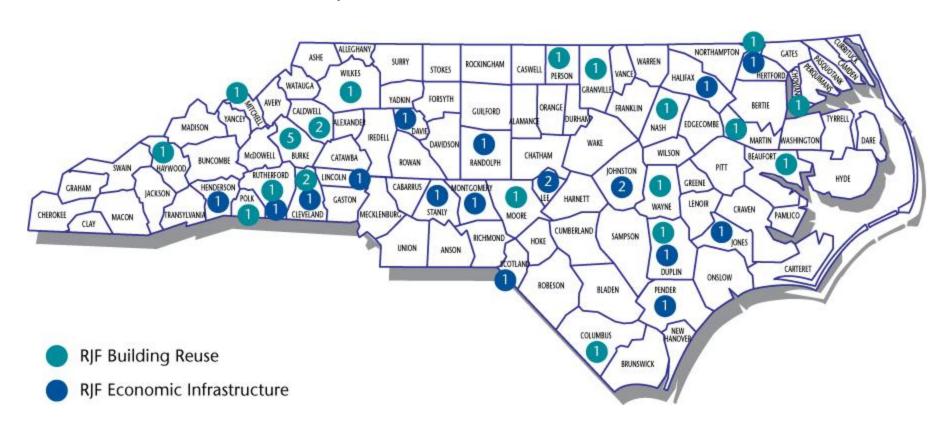
July 1, 2010-December 30, 2012

- 43 grants
- \$9.4 million awarded
- \$105 million leveraged
 \$668 million total investment
- 1,888 jobs committed, 2,773 projected
- \$3,399 cost per job



Rural Jobs Fund

July 1, 2007-December 30, 2012





Capacity Building Programs









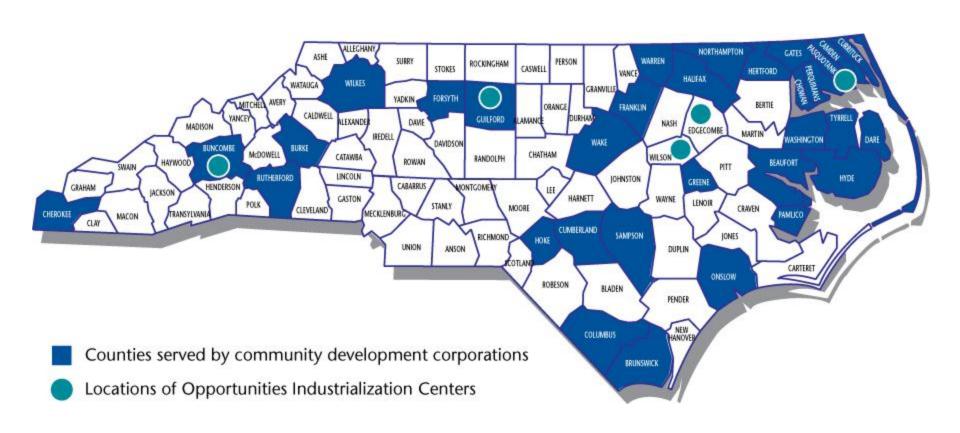


CDC Grants

- 111 grants
- \$4.8 million awarded
- \$130 million leveraged
- 755 new jobs
- 727 home foreclosures prevented
- > 22 grants totaling \$1.5 million for OICs



CDC and OIC Grants



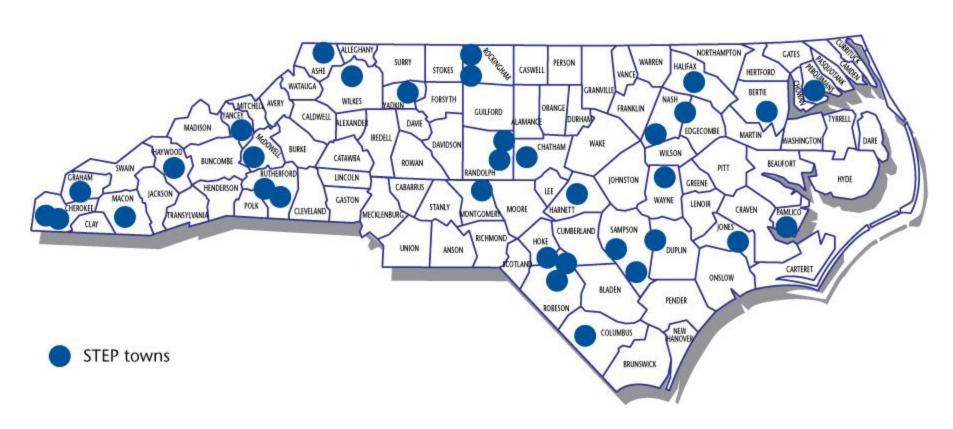


NC STEP

- 34 STEP towns
- \$4.7 million in grants
- 22 ED plans, 36 ED projects
- 996 new jobs
- 736 new or expanded businesses

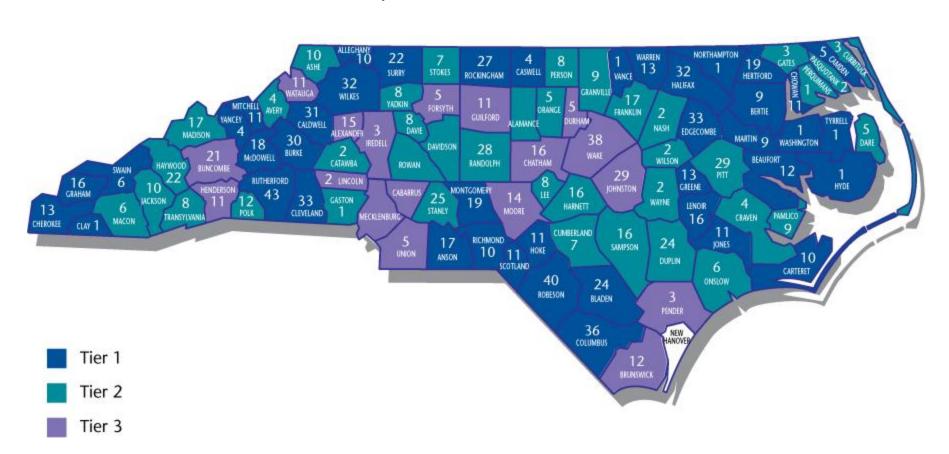


NC STEP





Grant summary





Small Business Lending







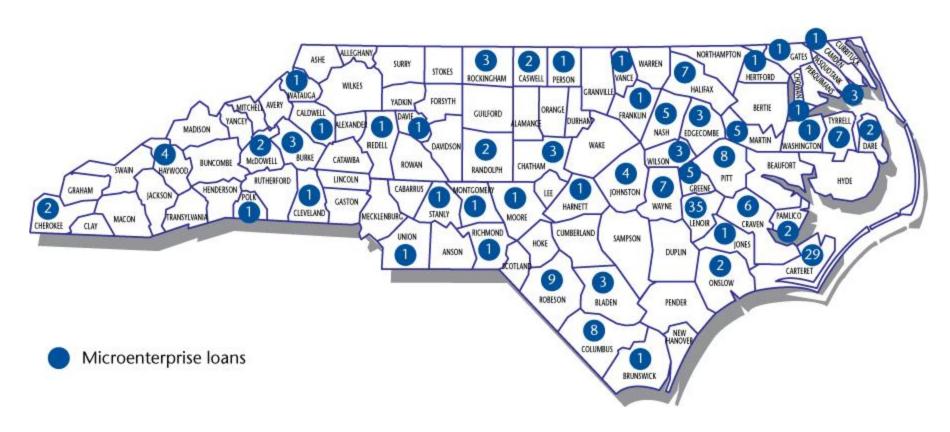


Microenterprise Loans

- 198 business loans
- \$1.6 million in loans
- 249 new jobs
- 198 businesses created & expanded



Microenterprise Loans





Total Impact

- Total grant projects: 1,355
- Total grant amount: \$264 million
- Total leverage/grants: \$1.4 billion
- Total business loans: 610
- Total loan amount (with leverage):
 \$118 million

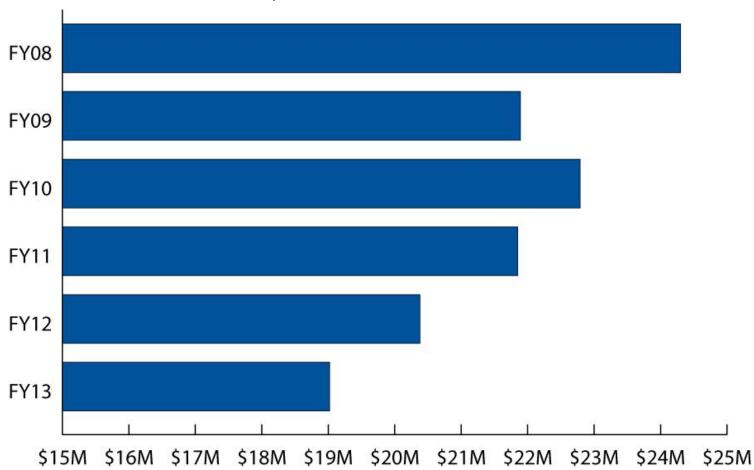


Total Impact

- Businesses created/expanded:3,481
- Jobs created: 19,911
- Additional job placements: 1,161
- Water & sewer customers served:
 504,101



State Appropriations





Non-state funding

July 1, 2007-June 30, 2012

\$21 million

- U.S. Small Business Jobs Act: \$15 million
- Other federal: \$3.2 million
- Foundation, corporate, other: \$2.6 million



Water-Sewer Partners

- N.C. Department of Commerce
 - Division of Community Assistance
 - Commerce Finance Center
- N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources
 - Public Water Supply
 - Infrastructure Finance Section

Clean Water Management Trust Fund

- N.C. Department of Transportation
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development
- U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration

Appalachian Regional Commission

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Tennessee Valley Authority

Golden LEAF Foundation



Jobs Program Partners

Appalachian Regional Commission

Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust

N.C. Office of Rural Health and Community Care

N.C. Department of Commerce

N.C. Community College System and Small Business Centers

U.S. Department of Labor

N.C. Small Business and Technology Development Centers

Golden LEAF Foundation

U.S. Department of Agriculture - Rural Development

Regional and local economic developers

Workforce development boards

56 banks and other lenders

Rural nonprofit organizations

Rural employers



Additional Partners

- N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- N.C. Farm Bureau
- N.C. Market Ready
- N.C. State University
- N.C. Tobacco Trust Fund
- Rural Advancement Foundation International-USA
- N.C. Industrial Extension Service
- Pitt County Chamber of Commerce
- Wilson Opportunities Industrialization Center
- Rosenwald Center of Greene County
- North Carolina's Eastern Region

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